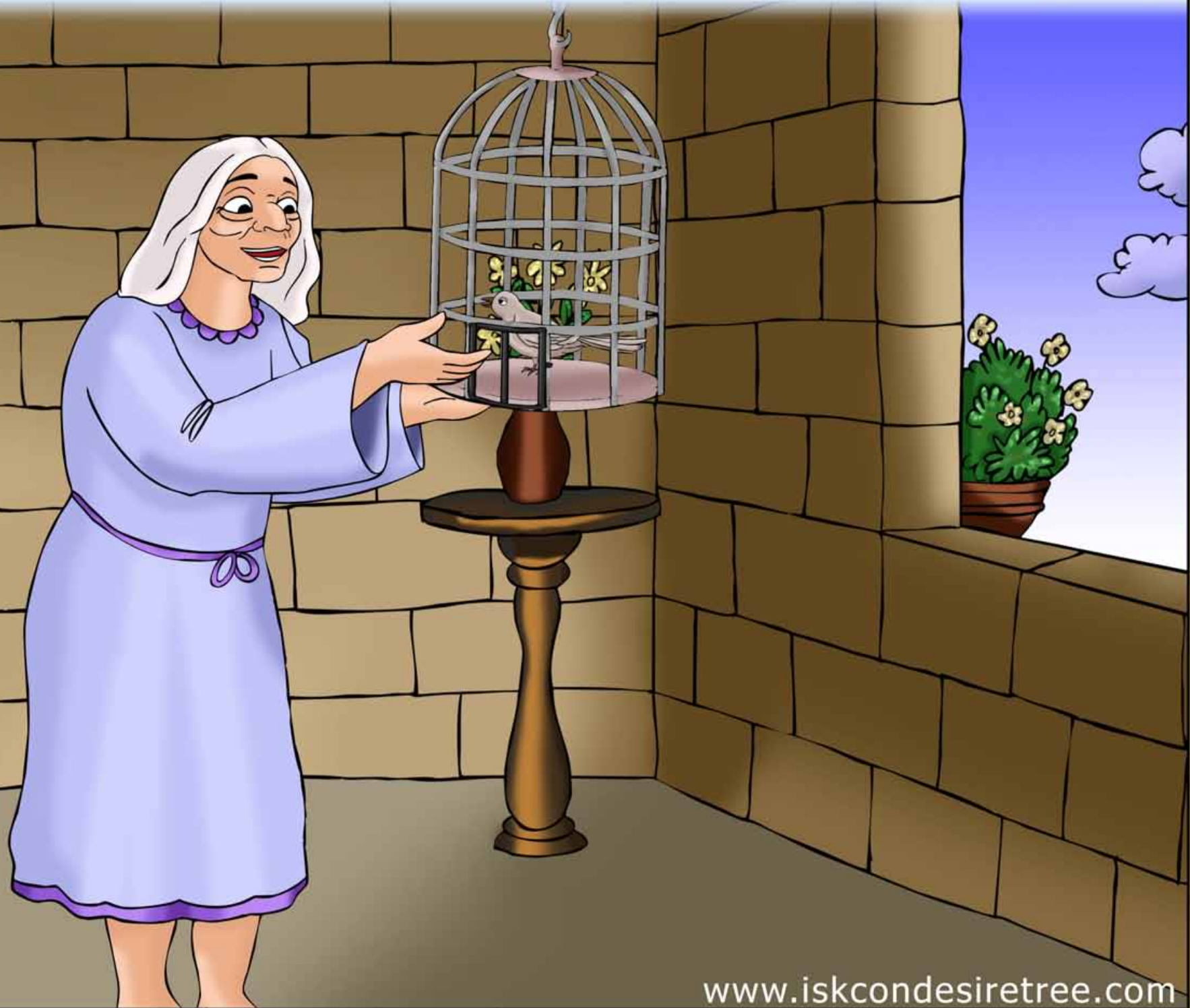




THE LADY AND THE BIRD

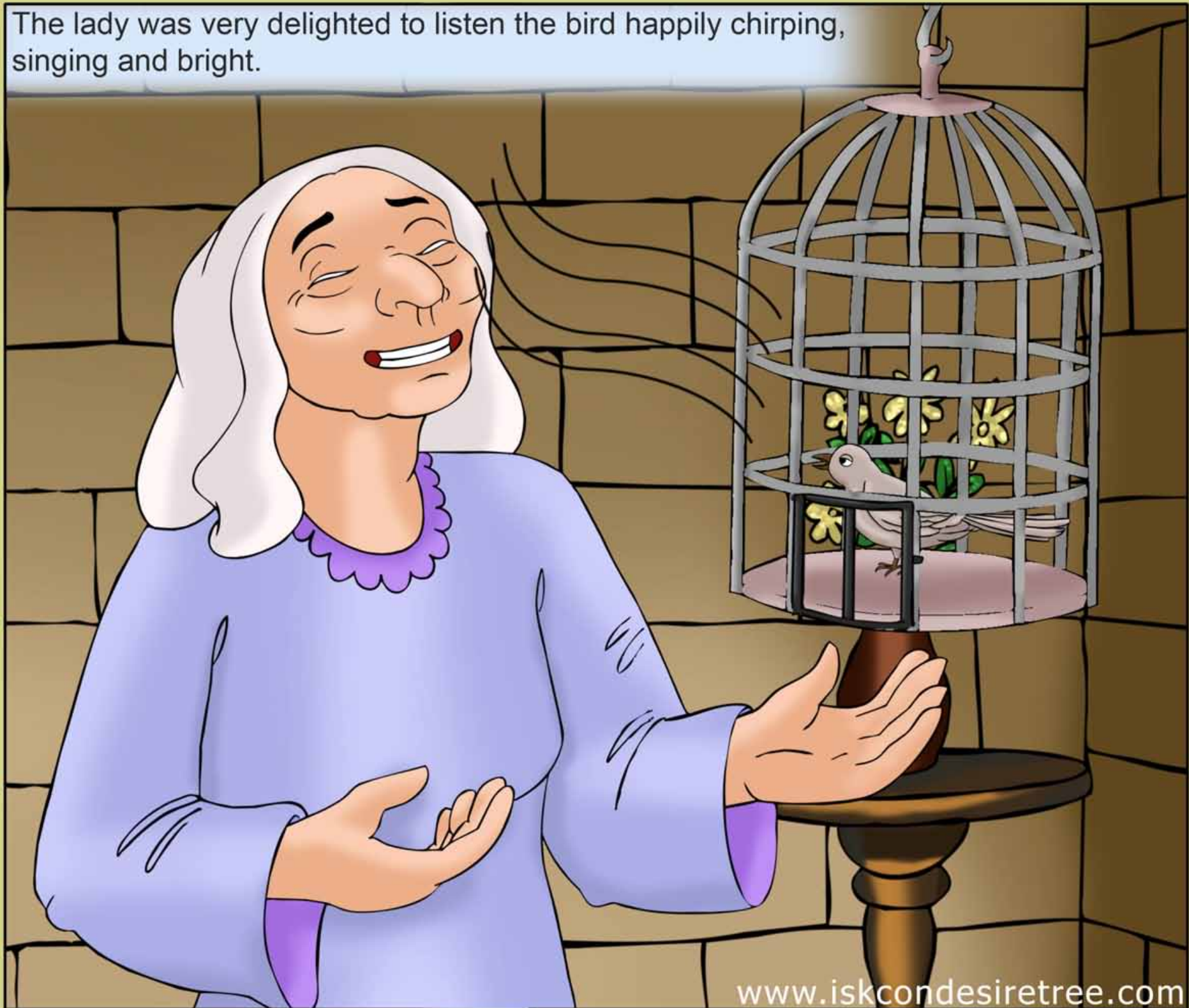
There lived an old lady who had a beautiful song bird in a cage.



She says that she loves her dear little bird in the cage.



The lady was very delighted to listen the bird happily chirping,
singing and bright.



The lady was pleased with her bird but neither realized about the imprisonment of the bird nor she understood the bird's needs.



The care of the cage comes first in her mind. She polishes the cage all day long while the bird feels hunger and thirst.



The cage's glitter and shine made her mind totally blind. She totally forgot about the bird and became proud of the beautiful cage.



Soon the bird gasps and chirps faintly.



He twitches his little wings & dreams of swinging high in the air to the last bit of his life.



The old lady keeps polishing the cage with her full endeavour till she feels sweaty.



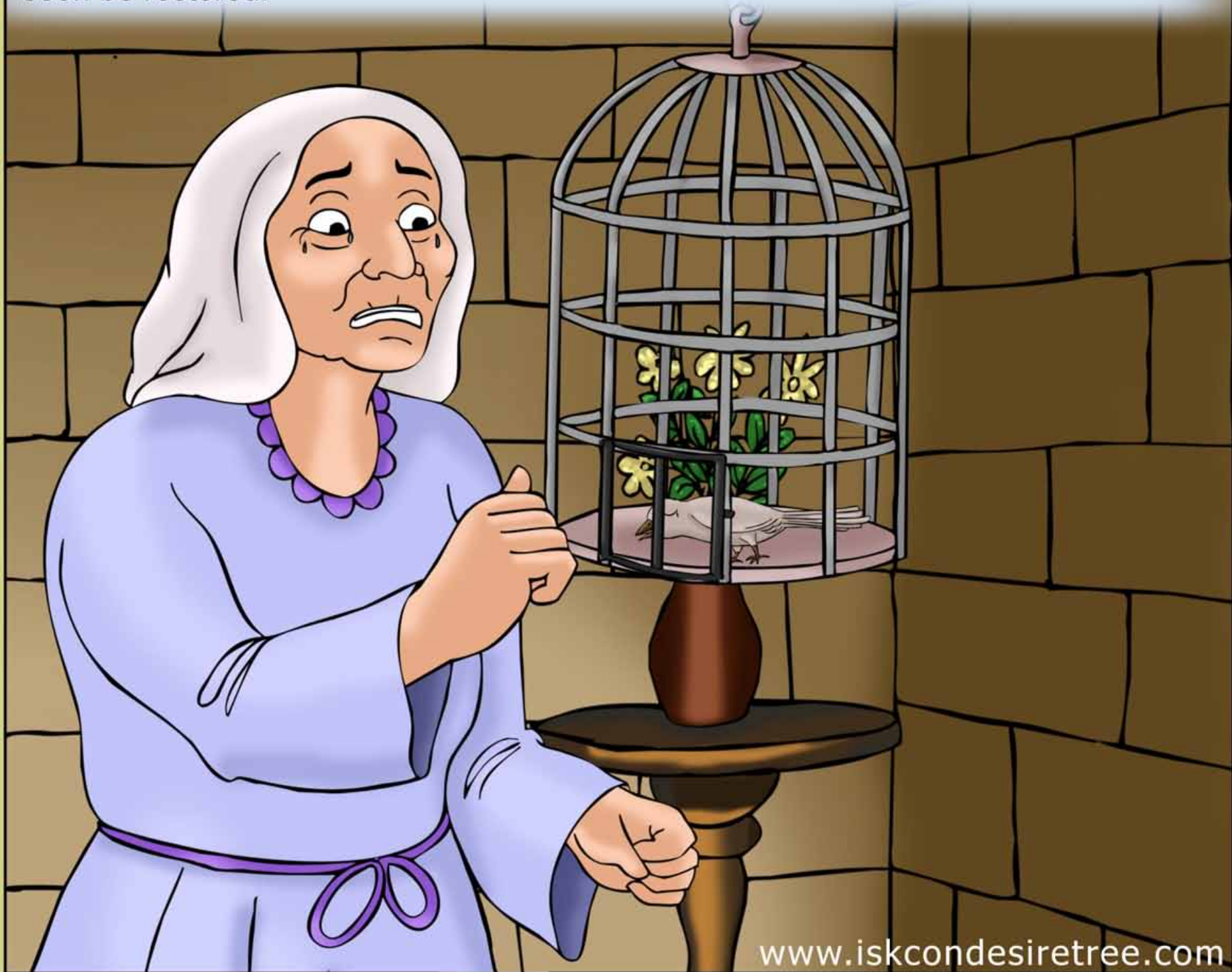
The bird was not fed and soon the tragic day came....



"Is this what I get for trying so hard? I cleaned the cage to keep it always shiny and bright and thus keep the bird cheerful. Oh! Why the fate is being so cruel?"



She thought about the fate and tears flowing from her eyes. She thought the bird will soon be restored.



Oh! What a pity! It's far too late... she lost the bird that she adored.



The soul of the bird has already left and she is mourning for her bird not knowing that the soul of the bird has entered into a new body to be reborn.



MORAL :

One should not be so buzy taking care of the body that he forgets to take care of the needs of the soul.